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1. Request for Status Inquiry of Pending Patent Application; and
2. Return Postcard.

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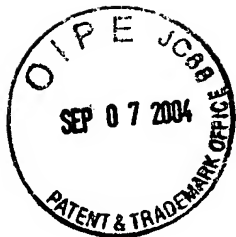
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